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City Hall Named For Frisco City Manager George A. Purefoy



TO BY THE CITY OF FRISCO

BY DANA BAIRD

What's in a name? For the Frisco City Council, it's a chance to honor the City of Frisco's first and only City Manager for the past 19 years. The Frisco City Council is naming Frisco's new City Hall-Library complex the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center.

Mayor Mike Simpson and the Frisco City Council will formally bestow the honor upon Purefoy during the building's Grand Opening Celebration, which is

slated for Sept. 21, beginning at 5 p.m. The Grand Opening Celebration, which is open to the public, will feature a monument unveiling, public tours and free souvenirs marking the momentous occasion.

"There is no person more deserving of the honor of having this new facility named for him than George Purefoy," said Mayor Mike Simpson, who was first elected Mayor in 2002. "Because of his vision, creativity, tenacity and dedication to build

Frisco as a unique sustainable community, our Council was unanimous in our desire to name this new building after him."

Purefoy started working for the City of Frisco in 1987, when there were fewer than 5,000 people living in Frisco; today, nearly 89,000 people call Frisco

Under Purefoy's administration, Frisco voters

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Planning for the Future: Frisco Water Conservation

BY ANTOINETTE VEGA

Lake Lavon is about 12 feet below normal storage elevation and the chance of rain is not in sight. But the future does look bright for the City of Frisco. The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMVD) is preparing for future water supplies for the Collin County area, said Gary Hartwell, Public Works Director for the City of Frisco.

"The district is in the planning, designing and construction phase of many additional sources of water into the year 2060," Hartwell said.

In fact, Executive Director of the NTMWD Jim Parks told citizens at the July 24 Town Hall Meeting that three major plans are currently underway, which would provide up to two times

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An Honor Much Deserved

By the time you receive this issue of Focal Point, many of you will have read articles in our local papers about the naming of our new City Hall/Library building. The City Council was unanimous in our desire to have this beautiful new facility named the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center. After almost 19 years as our City Manager, George Purefoy's impact on our city will be preserved in our history - and his desire and dedication to building a unique city will also help determine our future. One of our goals as a City Council is to build a unique, sustainable city



|Mayor's |Message

Mike Simpson

 one you never want to leave because of all we have to offer. George has been the long-term, consistent beacon who helps guide us to our goal.

Prior to the late 1990s, Frisco was still a small town beginning to grow as families found this a

nice place to live. Back then, our primary growth was in "residential" but our town experienced very little retail or corporate growth. In fact, in 1990, we had only 6,138 people and even when my wife, Sandy, and I moved here in 1997, there were only 19,250 people. George and his staff were building infrastructure, roads, water lines and storage tanks during this period and it was not until Frisco landed the Stonebriar Centre Mall did we start to see huge growth. His involvement and leadership in getting the Mall is one of his proudest accomplishments.

A retail area that has now grown to almost 5 million square feet of retail has enabled Frisco to enjoy a tremendous sales tax base. During George's tenure, the City has established a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone enabling us to expand around the mall with the Dr Pepper Ballpark, the Dr Pepper StarCenter, the Frisco Conference Center and further north, Pizza Hut Park. Also during his service as City Manager, our citizens approved the use of a half cent sales tax to fund our Economic Development

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Corporation (EDC) and another half cent for the Community Development Corporation (CDC). The EDC has been responsible for bringing numerous corporate offices to Frisco and the CDC has purchased and helped develop our parks and trails system, which help set Frisco apart from other cities.

During George's service as City Manager, the voters of Frisco approved a \$ 197.5 million bond package in 2002 and a \$198 million package this past May. The 2002 bonds paid for the construction of our city hall and library under one roof. Since this facility houses our city offices, council chambers, library and a Collin County Tax office, the Municipal Center name is fitting.

We are planning a Sept. 21 official Grand Opening Celebration and Ribbon Cutting. We hope you will make plans to join us, along with other guests and dignitaries. We know that George's wife, Debra, and daughter, Christal, are extremely proud of all he has accomplished as Frisco's first and only City Manager.

Speaking of our new City Hall, if you've had a chance to visit our new home, I am sure you've been impressed with its beauty, quality of construction and the functional aspects of this five-story facility. The council chambers for example has such good acoustics, design and seating capacity (312), schools and other city organizations are looking to use it for future events. We held our most recent Town Hall meeting in our new council chamber and parts of the Story Telling Festival are planned for the chambers, as well. Like any new home or building.

we're working through some minor problems and these will be resolved quickly.

The library, which comprises the east side of the building, will be equipped and readied for opening in about four to five weeks. It too, will have numerous rooms for use by community organizations and we're waiting for it to be completed before we have our official ribbon cutting. We know you can't wait for this new 50,000 square-foot facility, which is about five times larger than our current library. A special thanks to all our employees who have worked hard to get into their new offices and library.

You may also see the Plaza taking shape in front of the George A. Purefoy Municipal Center. The grass and trees are in, but there is much more to be done with more trees, a fountain, trellis, walking areas and ultimately a gazebo or pavilion on the west side. This plaza will be used for numerous community activities. We see it as a place, similar to our parks, where families will go sit, relax and stretch out on a blanket for a Sunday picnic or read a book while listening to the fountain or music that may come from a summer concert. There's lots to finish in the plaza, but we know exactly what we want to do.

Our public-private partnerships and sports venues, which those partnerships create, continue to be recognized around the country. Recently a group of 10 people from the Placer Valley Tourism Authority from Placer County, California visited us to see the Dr Pepper Ballpark, Dr Pepper SarCenter and Pizza Hut Park. This group from outside Sacramento was very complimentary of what we've built here. They

told us the way we worked with private partners, the FISD and Collin County to build our facilities was as good as they have seen throughout the country. They also received a tour of the city and were amazed by all we have going on in Frisco and how we're building roads everywhere, adding this is not the case in their state.

I will close this article with comments about our water situation. The Stage 3 efforts are working, and we're saving millions of gallons of water, so we 'thank you' but we still need your help to conserve water. We met recently with the Mayors of Allen, McKinney and Plano to discuss water conservation and efforts to prevent moving to the next stage. We know people are unhappy with the recent smell and taste of our water in all cities of the North Texas Municipal Water District. Hopefully, this will change once we get through the current algae bloom problems which we do experience each year in July and August. Citizens have asked me if there is a long range plan of the NTMWD to increase our supply. There is a long-term plan to utilize supplies from other lakes and you can visit the NTMWD Web site at www.ntmwd.com to get details of its plans, as well as answers to questions on quality, taste and conserva-

We appreciate all our citizens' help in conserving water under Stage 3 and each day we pray for rain. Thanks for your help during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson Mayor

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have approved a half-cent sales tax, which supports the city's Economic and Community Development Corporations, which have helped attract Stonebriar Centre Mall; the Dr Pepper Ballpark, the Dr Pepper StarCenter and Pizza Hut Park.

Also under Purefoy's tenure, this year, Frisco voters approved a \$198 million bond package, as well

as a \$197.5 million bond package in 2002., which covered \$28 million of the \$30.5 million price tag for the new City Hall-Library facility.

"All of these projects have George's stamp on them," said Mayor Simpson. "He is considered by

builders, developers, his peers and elected officials as a tough negotiator and a man of his word."

The George A. Purefoy Municipal Center, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd, opened to the public on July 3 of this year following a groundbreaking in August 2004. The City Hall facility stands five stories high, while the Library – which is still moving in and not yet open – stands four stories tall. Together, both facilities span about 144,000 square feet, of which more than 50,000 square feet is dedicated to the new Frisco Public Library. The George A. Purefoy Municipal Center's façade is graced in grantie and Texas limestone and centered by a clock tower. The inside features mesquite wood floors plus custom made fabrics, showing symbols significant to Frisco's 104-year-old history. The new facility also

features a "city room" to be used for ceremonies and celebrations - and a council chamber with a 300-seat capacity. "How fitting that Frisco's new City Hall should be named for George Purefoy!" said Bob Warren, former Mayor, 1990 - 96. "George's visionary thinking and superior managerial skills, coupled with his ability to assemble an excellent staff and

where the new City Hall now sits, to the City Council.

a 300It was George who found the original developer to
make the Council's dream of a new urban center a
reality. It is fitting for the Council to honor George
through this dedication for his endless hours of service to the community of Frisco," said Seei.

Robert J. "Bob" O'Neil Jr., Executive Director
of the International



Inside Frisco's new Council Chambers

destination city.

work well with council members and citizens alike have embedded his mark on this magnificent facility." Kathy Seei, former Mayor, 1996 - 2002, also applauds Purefov for his vision in making Frisco a

"It was George who brought the concept of purchasing the 40 acres west of the railroad tracks,

of the International City/County Government Management Association said it's extraordinary for a community to name a significant public building after a City Manager. "This gesture speaks volumes to the professionalism and commitment George has brought to Frisco," he said. "George represents the best of our profession, and he has set a high standard for us

> "We hope our citizens will take the

opportunity to tour our beautiful, new city hall," said Mayor Simpson. "We're (the Council) confident our citizens will be proud of what their bond package dolars have built. The George A. Purefoy Municipal Center is a building future generations will enjoy for the next 100 years."



Frisco's Recycling Program Receives National Award

BY ANTOINETTE VEGA

The City of Frisco's recycling program, "Keeping Frisco Clean ...with Single Stream" is being recognized nationally for excellence in the field of Solid Waste Management. The program, created by Frisco's Environmental Services Division, features characters "Rufus Recycles," "Cari the Cart" and "Travis the Trashcart."

In September, Frisco's recycling program will receive the bronze award from the Solid Waste Association of North America's (SWANA) 2006 Excellence Award Program.

Pippa Couvillion, Environmental Services Manager, said she believes the success of the recycling program is its fun, entertaining approach.

"Using 'Rufus Recycles' 'Cari the Cart' and 'Travis the Trashcart,' is a user-friendly way of teaching the importance of recycling to citizens of all ages," Couvillion said. "The cartoon characterization is what attracts and keeps citizens interested in recycling."

As part of the "Keeping Frisco Clean ...with Single Stream" program, 18-gallon recycling bins were upgraded to 95-gallon carts in August 2004. Couvillion said the recycling containers needed to be bigger to complement the increase in volume and the larger recycling items coming in.

"The 18-gallon bin was way too

small, and we started to miss out on larger items that could be recycled such as card-board boxes, cereal boxes and junk mail," Couvillion said. "The larger cart with a lid put those looking for privacy at ease, and the card's wheels made it easier to take to the curb even in the rain. Switching to a larger cart was a no-brainer."

Couvillion said since the 95-gallon carts have been implemented, the growth in recycling has been phenomenal.

Once citizens started using the carts, the average amount of recyclables collected per household per month increased to 64 pounds from 24 pounds when using the bins, said Couvillion. At the end of the 2005 fiscal



PHOTO BY ANTOINETTE VEGA

Mayor Mike Simpson recently recognized the Environmental Services Division at a City Council Meeting for receiving the SWANA Award. Pictured from left: Ralph Saccamano, Household Hazardous Waste Coordinator, Pippa Couvillion, Environmental Services Manager, and Mayor Simpson.

year, 7,105 tons of recyclables were collected using the carts compared to the 2,386 tons of recyclables collected using the bins at the end of the 2004 fiscal year, said Couvillion.

"This growth in recyclables coming in is unreal and the reason we received this award," Courillion said. "Our trash carts used to weigh an average of 63 pounds per household and now average 43 pounds because of the increase in recycling. I like to say that 'Travis the Trashcart' went on a diet."

The SWANA Awards program was created to recognize outstanding facilities, operations and programs committed to the "environmentally and economically sound man-

agement of solid waste," while at the same time, encouraging innovation. Each of SWANA's eight technical divisions has at least one award category through which they identify top-notch facilities, operations and programs. Award winners will be honored at WASTECON 2006 in Charlotte, North Carolina on Sept. 21.

"SWANA is proud to recognize the 2006 Excellence Award Winners and their dedication to advancing environmentally and economically sound solid waste management practices," said John Skinner, Ph. D., SWANA Executive Director and CEO. "These organizations are an inspiration to others in the solid waste industry."

Conserve Water with Treegator®

Frisco Public Works has teamed up with Treegator® to assist residents with their water conservation efforts.

Residents will receive a 20 percent discount on Treegator® Drip Irrigation Bags. Treegator® is an easy-to-use professional, portable drip irrigation system in a bag. It efficiently provides new trees with 14, 20 or 50 gallons of water over an extended time period with little or no run-off.

Gary Hartwell, Director of Public Works, encourages residents to use the drip irrigation bags.

"Residents who use the drip irrigation bags can water any day, any time up to one hour a day," Hartwell said. "They can water every day of the week if they want to using these bags."

The Treegator® Drip Irrigation Bags are simple and easy to use and are designed to accommodate various-sized trees.

Visit the following link and enter the word "save" to get your 20 percent discount: www.treegatordirect.com/frisco/frisco.

For more information on Treegator®, go to: www.treegator.com or call toll free: 1-866-TREEGA-TOR (873-3428).



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the amount of water received from Lake Lavon.

The first plan involves what Frisco is doing right now, conserving water through Stage 3 Water Restrictions. The other two involve the East Fork Wetlands Supply and the Upper Sabine River Supply, which the NTMWD has contracted in the last 12 months to meet the near-term water demands. NTMWD has a permit pending with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the East Fork Reuse Project in Kaufman County, which will initially produce 80,000 acre-feet per vear and ultimately 102,000 acre-feet per year. The design of the project is being completed and construction is com-

The second source was obtained in late 2005 from the Sabine River Authority for the use of 50,000 to 80,000 acre-feet per year from the upper Sabine River Basin (Lake Tawakoni and Lake

Fork). The facilities and pipelines are under design with construction commencing later this year.

With the approval of the water rights permit from the TCEQ, the current schedule projects that the additional supply will be online in early 2008, but Parks said he would like to expedite the schedule for projects to be online this fall.

The NTMWD also recently purchased 18,000 acre-feet per year of water from the Greater Texoma. Utility Authority from Lake Texoma. The facilities and pipelines are in place for the immediate use of the raw water.

"The NTMWD has planned intently to meet the growth of Frisco," Parks said. "These projects will take time and money. Nothing we do is inexpensive or easy; they all take effort."

Parks said the drought actually began 14 months ago, which was the last time Lake Lavon was at full elevation. The drought the City of Frisco faces today is due to many

factors and not the rapid growth of the area.

"The growth of the area is not a factor in the drought," Hartwell said. "The drought is due to many other factors, including lack of rain and water waste."

Through June 2006, Frisco received 15.4 inches of rain compared to last year, which received 21.9 inches of rain. During the summer, about 70 percent of our water usage is for outdoor watering. Also a factor is the amount of water that evaporates daily from the lakes because of the hot summer days.

"On a typical summer day, 80 to 90 million gallons of water is evaporated from Lake Lavon," Hartwell said. "This is what a hot day can do to our lakes."

Parks said the lakes have been at this low level before and complemented Frisco's conservation efforts.

"This drought is not something we haven't seen before," Parks

said. "Frisco is doing a good job recognizing we are in a drought and reducing water waste."

It's been two months since the City of Frisco implemented Stage 3 Water Restrictions targeting a 20 percent reduction in water usage.

Parks said although other cities outside the district have not implemented mandatory water restrictions, they will in the near future.

"All lakes are seeing the effects of the drought," Parks said. "As lakes continue to drop down, we will see cities go to some stage of conservation."

Hartwell said citizens still need to focus on following Stage 3 Water Restrictions, watering only once a day on their designated trash day, and reducing water waste.

"We have to focus on getting citizens to refrain from excessive use of their sprinkler systems," said Hartwell. "We no longer need to be wasting water."



Monthly Project Update

Wade Plaza Collector Road

Scope: Infrastructure improvements facilitating the future Recreation Center near Preston and Wade. Current status is COMPLETE.

Independence Parkway (SH121 to Main)

Scope: Construct the western two lanes of Independence Parkway from SH 121 to Rolater and four lanes from Rolater to Main Street. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. Current status is BID.

FM 2934/Eldorado Pkwy (FM 423 - DNT)

Scope: Construct the northern three lanes and the southern three lanes of FM 2934 (Eldorado Parkway) from the Dallas North Tollway to FM 423, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This will complete six lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT. Current status is ROW.

FM 3537 Improvements

Scope: Construct a six-lane divided roadway from FM 2478 (Custer Road) to SH 289 (Preston Road), which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT. Est. completion of design is January 2007.

FM 423 Improvements

Scope: Replace existing two-lane asphalt roadway with six-lane divided concrete roadway with curb and gutter. Est. completion of design is January 2007.

FM 2478/FM 3537 Intersection Improvement

Scope: Construction of turn lanes and intersection improvements at FM 2478 and FM 3537. Includes engineering design. Est. completion of construction is August 2006.

Coit Road (Lebanon - Rolater)

Scope: Construct the eastern two lanes of Coit Road from Lebanon Road to Rolater Drive. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided road-way. Landscaping, irrigation, and street lighting are included in this project. Est. completion of construction is August 2006.

Main Street, Phase 4 (RR - Preston)

Scope: Reconstruction of Main Street with concrete pavement, curb and gutter from BNSF Railroad to Preston/SH 289.

-Two-lane divided roadway from BNSF Railroad to South County

-Four-lane from South County to Preston/SH 289

Est. completion of construction is October 2006.

FM 3537 - 20inch Water Line

Scope: Construct 20-inch waterline along FM 3537 from west of Hillcrest Road to Independence Parkway. This line will replace the 20-inch waterline that has been taken over by the North Texas Municipal Water District. Current status is BID.

SH 121 Freeway FM 544 to DNT

Scope: Construct six main lanes and six lanes of frontage roads from FM 544 to Dallas North Tollway. Est. completion of construction is December 2007.

SH 121 Freeway DNT to 75

Scope: Construct main lanes on SH 121 from Dallas North Tollway to US 75. Est. completion of design is December 2006.

SH 121 Service Roads DNT to US 75

Scope: Construct six lanes of service roads from the Dallas

North Toll Road to US 75. It also includes a grade separation at Custer. Est. completion of construction is June 2008.

Lebanon (Village - FM 423)

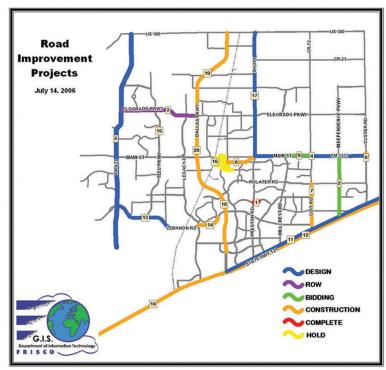
Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Village to FM 423 including a three-lane bridge at Stewart Creek. This will complete four lanes of an ultimate six-lane divided roadway. Est. completion of design is July 2006.

Lebanon Road (Legacy - Starwood)

Scope: Construct the southern two lanes of Lebanon Road from Legacy Drive to Starwood Drive. This will complete four lanes of a six-lane divided roadway. Est. completion of construction is July 2006

Teel Parkway Bridge

Scope: Construct the eastern bridge on Teel Parkway at Cottonwood Creek between Main Street and Eldorado Parkway. Est. completion of construction is July 2006.



Selected Old Town Streets

Scope: Reconstruction of the following streets to concrete curb and gutter:

- South First Street from West
- Main to Ash
- North Third from Main to Maple
- South Third from Main to Ash
- North Fourth from Main to Maple
- North Sixth from Main to Maple
- South Sixth from Main to Hickory
- Pecan from Fifth to Seventh
- Hickory from Fifth to Pebblebrook Current status is HOLD.

SH 289 (Preston Road) Improvements

Scope: Construct a six-lane divided roadway from U.S. 380 to Main Street, which will replace the existing two-lane asphalt roadway. This project will be let by TxDOT, which will pay for four lanes. The City of Frisco will pay for the construction of the two additional lanes. \$2 million of the City of Frisco's \$4.5 million participation in this project pays for the previous construction of Preston Road south of

Main Street. Est. completion is Jan. 2007. **DNT Phase 3 Section XI-N**

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Gaylord Parkway to Platinum Parkway. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from north of Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Project also includes construction of the southbound service roads from Eldorado Parkway to US 380. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.

DNT Phase 3 Section XII-N

DNT Phase 3 Section XII-S

Scope: Construction of main lanes of the DNT from Platinum Parkway to north of Eldorado Parkway. Project also includes construction of the southbounds ervice roads from Main Street to Eldorado Parkway. Est. completion of construction is September 2007.



Frisco Freedom Fest Spotlight



The Grammy Award-winning band Kool & The Gang sings, dances and entertains.



F.C. Dallas and D.C. United play their hearts out for a win. D.C. United takes home a victory.



Sparkie, the Frisco Fire Department's dog, provides hugs and fire safety tips.



These Frisco citizens are full of spirit.



Kool & The Gang keeps the music going all night.



Kids get their faces painted, participate in a cookie walk and play games while at Frisco Freedom Fest.



The evening ended with a firework show.



Everlife takes the stage opening up for Kool & The Gang.



Hometown Happenings

August 1

Tuesday National Night Out 6:30 – 10 p.m. Citywide

August 2 Wednesday

City Council Meeting 6101 Frisco Square Blvd. 5:30 p.m.

August 7 Monday

Monday Public Art Board, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd. 6:30 p.m.

August 8

Tuesday
Municipal Court, 8 a.m.
Planning & Zoning,
Council Chambers,
6101 Frisco Square Blvd.
6:30 p.m.

August 9

Wednesday Convention Visitors Bureau 12 p.m.

August 10

Thursday
Parks and Recreation
Board Meeting,
Council Chamber,
6101 Frisco Square Blvd,
6:30p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

August 15

Tuesday
City Council Meeting,
6101 Frisco Square Blvd,
5:30p.m

August 17

Thursday CDC Meeting, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd, 6:30 p.m.

August 23

Wednesday
Arts of Collin County,
City of Allen, 4 p.m.
Urban Forestry Board,
6726 Walnut Street,
6:30 pm

August 24

Thursday North Texas Municipal Water District Meeting, 505 East Brown St., Wylie, TX, 4 p.m.

August 29

Tuesday Heritage Association, Council Chambers, 10a.m. to 12 p.m.

Eliminate Car Burglaries

The Frisco Police Department is implementing several initiatives to limit the increase in car burglaries throughout the city.

To patrol more proactively, educate citizens and deter crimes, the FPD is implementing bicycle patrol. Bicycle officers are scheduled during the hours statistically dominated by crime. Their areas of responsibility include residential patrol with the focus on car burglaries, as well as patrolling retail centers, fitness centers and restaurants.

The Police Department is issuing notices informing residents they or their property are at risk of a crime. If officers notice an unlocked car door, open garage door or another type of dangerous situation, they will mail a notice to those residents and vehicle owners.

The Police Department has also created a covert burglary patrol. Officers are driving around in unmarked cars looking for burglars in the act. This initiative is geared toward gaining the identification and arrest of burglars.

The following are some tips

toward preventing your vehicle from being burglarized:

- Close your windows and lock your vehicle and garage doors.
 Park in well-lit areas close to the building, or if at home in the garage. Use floodlights above or around your garage if you must park in your driveway.
- Remove loose valueables from your vehicle, including the garage door opener, purses, wallets, cell phones, laptop computers, loose change, briefcases, etc.
- Set your car alarm and take note of car alarms going off in your vicinity.
- Call 911 to report suspicious persons seen wandering around in parking lots/neighborhoods (particularly after hours) and/or looking into cars as they walk by.

These steps should always be used whenever and wherever you park your vehicle. For more information on crime prevention, call the FPD Community Services Unit at (972) 335-5603 ext 107.

Safety Tips For Outdoor Grilling

The aroma of hot dogs and hamburgers wafting through the air on a summer evening is enough to inspire anyone to pull out the grill. Before doing so, however, it's a good idea to take a few minutes and make sure you're being safe.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, more than 900 structure fires and 3,500 outdoor fires in or on home properties were caused by home gas and charcoal grills in 2002. The following basic safety rules and precautions help prevent such unfortunate incidents:

- Use propane and charcoal grills outdoors only.
- Use charcoal starter fluids designed for barbecue grills or chimney devices when using charcoal grills, Never add charcoal starter fluid after coals have ignited. Always store charcoal lighter fluid out of reach of children and away from heat sources.
- Check propane cylinders for leaks using soapy water applied

to the hose and fittings for propane grills. Leaks should be repaired only by a qualified professional.

- Place the grill at least 10 feet away from the house, garage or trees.
- Never leave a grill unattended or unsupervised while in use.
- Establish a "safety zone" extending 3 feet in all directions around the grill and instruct children to remain outside that area.
- Have a fire extinguisher, a water hose connected to a water supply or at least 4 gallons of water near in case of a fire
- Remove grease or fat buildup in trays below the grill so that it cannot be ignited by a hot grill.

As a reminder, City Ordinance 94-08-04 prohibits the use of a barbecue grill in an apartment or within 10 feet of any part of an apartment house or under any portion of the structure of an apartment house.

Frisco Fire Department Upcoming Programs

Free to Frisco residents and those who work in Friscol Call the Central Fire Station, 972-335-5525, for reservations. All classes are located at Fire Station 4, 4485 Cotton Gin Rd.

Classes instructed by Fire Department personnel certified as CPR instructors by the American Heart Association

Citizens Fire Academy (CFA)

- 9-week session beginning Sept. 7
- Classes meet each Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m.
 Saturday session scheduled at a later date
- Hands-on experience with various types of emer-
- gency equipment

 Ride with firefighters as they respond to actual emergency calls.

Community Emergency Response Team

- Classes begin Sept. 11
- · Classes meet on Mondays from 7 to 10 p.m.

- Training to better prepare residents to respond to emergency situations
- CERT members provide critical support to "first responders" in emergencies by providing victim assistance, organizing volunteers and collecting disaster information.

CPR Classes

- Class Schedule: May 3 & 17, June 7 & 21, and July 5 & 19
- Four-hour classes beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- Class size limited to 20
- One-rescuer CPR Techniques for infants, children, and adults
- · Techniques to assist someone when choking

First Aid Classes

- Class Schedule: June 10, August 26, October 14, and December 9
- Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Classes limited to 30 Companion course to CPR training



CITY OF FRISCO

National Night Out Block Party

Don't miss the fun and commaraderie of Frisco's 12th Annual National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 1. There' still time to sign up to host a block party in your neighborhood. Call the



Frisco Police Department Community Services Division at 972-335-5603.

The fun was kicked off with the National Night Out Car Show at the

Green Home Health & Safety Fair at Centennial High School on July 29.

On Tuesday, Aug. 1, residents in Frisco will lock their doors, turn on porch lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors to "Give Crime and Drugs a Going away party."

The nationwide event is designed to unite citizens against crime, reinforce community-police partnerships and strengthen neighborhood spirit.

Police/Fire personnel, Mayor Mike Simpson and other city officials will be visiting block parties throughout the evening.

Don't get left out of the fun. Sign up to host a block party You must register your block parties to receive visits from Mayor Simpson and members of the Police and Fire Departments.

Visit www.frisconeighborhoodwatch.com for more information.



Sponsor a Food Drive

Sponsor a Block Party food drive benefitting the Frisco Family Services Center. FFSC is experiencing a severe food shortage and urgently needs donations. Items needed are as follows:

- Pasta
- Meal Helpers
- Tuna
- Bagged Rice
- Sugar
- Suga
- Pasta Sauce
 Canned Refried
- Beans
- Canned Pasta Meals
- Bagged Pinto Beans
- CerealTomato Sauce
- Jelly

- · Baby Food Jars
- Paper Towels
- Fruit Cans or Cups
- · Canned Chili
- Toilet Paper
- Cooking Oil
- · Juice/Drinks
- Snack Items
- · Canned Corn
- Diapers: Size 3-6 and pull-ups
- Hygiene Products:
- Soap, toothpaste
- Peanut Butter

Rufus Around Town

When Frisco citizen Katherine Noyes, 8, visited the Kid's Korner Web page under Environmental Services, she had no idea the fun awaiting her.

Katherine was the first eco-student to read and respond to the online contest, a new program created by Frisco's Environmental Services Division.
Rufus and the

Green Team Staff threw her a surprise recycling party. At her party, Katherine was named the very first official member of the Frisco "Green Team" and was given a back-to-school backpack filled with recycling tools and tous



Frisco's Environmental Services kicked off two new programs, the Patches Program and the "Green Team," complete with games and prizes.

If you want to become an official member of the Frisco "Green Team" visit the city's Web site at www.friscotexas.gov and

look for the Kids' Korner page under Environmental Services. Fill out the application and return it. While you are visiting the Web page, enter the eco-contest or participate in one of the "Patch Programs" to earn prizes.

Green Team Has New Look



Calling all Green Team Members! Environmental Services has redesigned its Green Team Logo. Keep an eye out for this symbol. When you see it you know that "Green Team Members" are hard at work making Frisco Beautiful.

Also new is the design of the official "Green Team" membership cards. Complete the application on the Kids' Korner Web page to receive yours!

City of Frisco www.FriscoTexas.gov IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

- Civil Engineer■ Construction
- Technician
- EDC Marketing Director
- Fire Safety Educator
- Library Technician (Part Time)
- Lifeguard
- Maintenance Worker-

- Meters
- Maintenance Worker-Utilities
- Police Officer
- Right of Way Agent
- Senior Engineer
- Senior Environmental Engineer
- Senior Planner
- Traffic Engineer

All Positions Subject to Close without Notice
Mail Resume/Application to:
City of Frisco Human Resources
6101 Frisco Square Blvd.
Frisco, TX 75034
JOB LINE: (972) 335-0057
FAX: (972) 377-9068
EMAIL: employment@friscotexas.gov
www.FriscoTexas.gov







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